

OF NATIONAL INTEREST

WHITE HOUSE PARLORS IN A NEW DRESS FOR THE SEASON.

More Inquiries About John W. McKnight Who is a "Suspect"—Assigned From His Club—Superintendent of Coast Surveys—Washington Notes.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 5.—The White House will soon be in shape to receive visitors in all its parts. The carpets were placed in the East Room, the immense curtains hung and the summer coverings of the furniture removed. The carpets were also put down in the Red, Blue and Green parlors, though the curtains will not be hung in them until today. These parlors have been practically closed since the departure of Miss Cleveland, though there is a great desire among all lady visitors to the White House to see these rooms, but few were accorded that privilege during the summer. On and after Monday all the lower part of the White House, except the state dining room, will be open to the inspection of all who desire to see it.

Several more inquiries have been received at the postoffice department in regard to the appointment of John W. McKnight as a postal card agent at Charleston, N. Y. The question asked is whether the McKnight appointment is the same John W. McKnight who was a favorite contractor under the reign of "Boss" Tweed in this city. The Contractor McKnight left here several years ago. Before his departure he was indicted by the United States grand jury for receiving by the sale of patented process for making artificial pavements. Curiously enough the United States district attorney—though it has been on the calendar for over two years—called up the case and asked that the indictment be nolle prossed. He said the principal witness, Mr. Tweed, had fled the city, and his attendance could not be secured to prosecute the case. When McKnight was a resident of this city he was one of the leaders in the Republican politics, having a peculiar influence among colored voters. He was elected at different times to several local offices as a Republican.

The postoffice department has received information that Mr. Henry Donavin, chief of the letter carriers of Chicago, has resigned his position as president of the Young Men's Democratic council. As has been previously stated Mr. Donavin was informed by the postmaster general that, notwithstanding the opinion of the Chicago postmaster, Mr. Judd, to the contrary, the interests of the postal service required that he should not take any active part in a political organization. Mr. Donavin decided that his official position paid him better than the political place and he immediately disconnected himself with the latter. Since the decline of Mr. Donavin's naval officers are much interested in the appointment of the next superintendent of the coast survey, because "Fishes" from the close alliance of the two services and the important part in its administration which the navy is by law forced to assume the question is a vital one. From the beginning it is alleged their candidate has been Professor John M. Brooke, formerly of the navy and of late professor in the Washington and Lee university of Virginia. His scientific attainments thirty years ago made deep sea soundings possible, and the special training he received in the service has been supplemented by a wider experience in civil life, which naval officers say specially qualifies him for the successful administration of the important branch of government service. The appointment is a presidential one and is one, it is not the only one, that does not require confirmation by the senate.

Edward Mcweeney, the famous suspect, whose release from an English prison was long delayed by Minister Lowell, and who upon his return to this country in the early part of last fall took an active part in the campaign in New York, has been provided for at last. Mcweeney had an ambition to be appointed collector of the port of San Francisco, but failing in that regard to take anything else in the way of an office that might be lying around. He was told by Secretary Manning to proceed to his home in San Francisco immediately and that upon his arrival there he would receive an appointment either as appraiser or assistant appraiser in the custom house at San Francisco. Both places have been made vacant by death. Mr. Mcweeney will not know which place he is to receive until he arrives there. He departed for San Francisco in glo. The position will pay \$4,000 if he gets the first or \$3,000 per year if he receives the place as assistant appraiser.

It is understood that Rev. Father Chapelle, the pastor of St. Matthew's church, the most fashionable of the Catholic churches of Washington, will soon be appointed bishop for the district of Columbia. Rev. Father Mackin, of Baltimore, who was recently appointed an assistant pastor at St. Matthew's, will, it is understood, succeed him as pastor at St. Matthew's. Father Chapelle has taken a very active part in the organization of the proposed National Catholic university in this city, the site for which was recently purchased. He is a Frenchman and is very popular in diplomatic circles here.

Pugilistic Lawyers.
BOSTON, Oct. 5.—Two well known lawyers, one having an office in State street and the other in Faneuil hall square, had a glove fight in a well known club room at the South end. The fight grew out of a heated controversy as to the relative merit of noted pugilists. Four rounds were fought, Queensbury rules. Tim McCarthy was referee. The fight was declared a draw. One lawyer lost a front tooth and the other had his eye spoiled for some time to come.

Re-opening Public Schools.
MONROE, Ala., Oct. 5.—There has been a decided movement on foot all summer by the colored people in favor of colored teachers for the colored public schools, and the recent appointments not being satisfactory to them they held a meeting and resolved to boycott the principal school devoted to the instruction of their children. The attendance at the opening of this school was only twenty-five out of a roll of two hundred and thirty pupils.

Struck Oil.
THOR, N. Y., Oct. 5.—While digging for the foundation of the projected blast furnaces on Breaker Island, near this city, several small pools of petroleum were found at a distance of twenty feet below the surface. It is believed that by drilling a well oil will be found in paying quantities and the Troy Steel and Iron Company is about to try the experiment.

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